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In re Application of :
Na et al. :
Application No. 09/852,717 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: May 11, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. PANK01760 US :

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 7, 2010, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed April 7, 2009, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were timely obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on July 8, 2009. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed December 30, 2009.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an Amendment, (2) the petition fee of \$1,620.00, and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

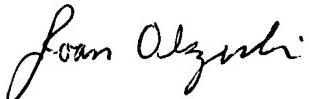
It is not apparent whether the statement of unintentional delay was signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the **entire** delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 10.18, the statement is accepted as constituting a certification of unintentional delay. However, in the event that petitioner has no knowledge that the delay was unintentional, petitioner must make such an inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional. If petitioner discovers that the delay was intentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

Additionally, the request for the change in power of attorney by the assignee has been accepted.

Further, an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. *See In re Application of S.*, 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Since the \$1,110.00, three-month extension of time fee submitted with the petition on January 7, 2010 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be refunded to petitioner's credit card in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-7751.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2815 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the reply received.



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